

PARK MAINTENANCE STANDARDS SURVEY

Park Inspected: _____

Date Inspected: _____

Inspected By: _____

District: _____

Overall Percentage of Standards Met: _____

Quarter: _____

Place a “Y” in the space if the item meets standards. Place an “N” in the space if the item does not meet standards.

I. ATHLETIC FACILITIES: COMPETITIVE FIELDS

% of standards met: _____

A. Turf

- ___1. Turf has a healthy dense stand of grass and coverage is no less than 95% of playable area.
- ___2. Appropriate grass for warm seasons is Common Bermuda or Hybrid Bermuda and for cool season is Perennial Rye Grass if required.
- ___3. Play area has a uniform surface and well drained.
- ___4. Turf is mowed at the appropriate height for the type of grass used, the time of the season, and the type of field use.
- ___5. Turf is free of any litter or debris.

B. Skinned Infields

- ___1. Infields have a uniform surface and are free of lips, holes and trip hazards.
- ___2. Infields are well drained with no standing water areas.
- ___3. Infields have proper soil consistency for intended usage.
- ___4. Infields are free of weeds and grass.
- ___5. Infields are free of rocks, dirt clods, and debris as per Little League and Amateur Softball Association rules and specifications.
- ___6. Bases and plates are properly installed, level, and are at the proper distances and anchored in accordance to manufacturer’s specifications and league requirements.

C. Soccer Goals

- ___1. Goals are made of lightweight aluminum.
- ___2. Goals are properly installed and anchored.
- ___3. Goal frames show no excessive bending.
- ___4. Nets are in good condition and free of holes, tears, and fraying which would allow a soccer ball to pass.

D. Bleachers

- ___1. Hardware is intact.
- ___2. Seating surface is clean, smooth, and free of protrusions and catch points.
- ___3. Bleachers are secured to concrete pads or firmly anchored to the ground.

- ___4. Bleacher areas have trash receptacles present and are in good condition.

E. Lights

- ___1. Electrical systems and components are operational and in compliance with appropriate building codes.
- ___2. 90% of lamps for each field are operational.
- ___3. No electrical conducting wires are exposed.
- ___4. Ballast boxes and components are properly installed and secured.
- ___5. Lights provide uniform coverage on facilities and fixtures are adjusted to eliminate dark or blind areas.

F. Fencing

- ___1. Fencing material is galvanized chain link and is the appropriate gauge wire for specified use.
- ___2. Fencing material is properly secured to support rails.
- ___3. Support rails are properly connected and straight.
- ___4. Fencing is free of holes and protrusions.
- ___5. Fabric is straight and free of bending or sagging.
- ___6. Gates and latches are operational.

G. Restrooms

- ___1. Restrooms are clean, sanitary, and properly stocked with paper products.
- ___2. Lights and ventilation systems are operational.
- ___3. Toilets, water faucets, stall doors, and hand air dryers are operational.
- ___4. Restrooms are free of graffiti.
- ___5. Restroom doors are properly marked according to gender.
- ___6. Restrooms have clean trash receptacles.
- ___7. Restroom doors and locks are operational.
- ___8. Restrooms are in compliance with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

II. PLAYGROUND

% of standards met: _____

A. Play Equipment

- ___1. Play equipment and surrounding play areas meet ASTM and National Playground Safety Institute standards.
- ___2. Play equipment and hardware is intact.
- ___3. Play equipment is free of graffiti.
- ___4. Age appropriateness for the play equipment is noted with proper signage.
- ___5. Shade structure is secure and free from tears.

B. Surfacing

- ___1. Fall surface is clean, level, and free of litter and debris.
- ___2. Fall surface meets ASTM and National Playground Safety Institute standards.
- ___3. Fall surface is well drained.
- ___4. Rubber cushion surfaces are free of holes and tears.
- ___5. Rubber cushion surfaces are secure to the base material and curbing.

C. Borders

- ___ 1. Playground borders are well defined and intact.
- ___ 2. Playground borders meet ASTM and National Playground Safety Institute standards.

D. Decks

- ___ 1. Planks are intact, smooth, structurally sound, free of splinters, and have no cracks greater than 1/4 inch.
- ___ 2. Nails, bolts, or screws are flush with the surface.
- ___ 3. Planks are level with no excessive warping.

E. Benches

- ___ 1. Slats are smooth and structurally sound.
- ___ 2. Hardware is intact and structurally sound.
- ___ 3. Nails, bolts, or screws are flush with the surface.
- ___ 4. Seats and backing are smooth with no protrusions and have no exposed sharp edges or pointed corners.

III. PICNIC FACILITIES**% of standards met: _____**A. Pavilions

- ___ 1. Pavilions comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act requirements.
- ___ 2. Pavilions are clean, sanitary, and free of graffiti.
- ___ 3. Electrical plugs, lights, appliances, fans, and hot water heaters are operational and in good condition and comply with current building codes.
- ___ 4. Pavilions are structurally sound, cleanly painted with no rotten lumber or rusted metal and no loose siding or loose shingles.
- ___ 5. Pavilions are relatively pest and rodent free and regularly treated for ants, wasps, termites and mice.
- ___ 6. Interior kitchens are equipped with an operational fire extinguisher.
- ___ 7. Doors, windows, screens, and locks are operational.
- ___ 8. Water fountains, water faucets, exhaust vent fans, and hose bib connections are operational.
- ___ 9. Signage with reservation and rules information and emergency telephone numbers is in a noticeable location.
- ___ 10. Pavilion grounds are mowed and trimmed and free of litter, debris and hazards.
- ___ 11. Vegetation around pavilions is trimmed back to reduce hazards and does not impede entry and regress.

B. Shelters

- ___ 1. Shelters comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act requirements.
- ___ 2. Shelters are clean, sanitary, and free of graffiti.
- ___ 3. Lights and electrical plugs are operational and comply with current building codes.
- ___ 4. Shelters are structurally sound, cleanly painted with no rotten lumber or rusted metal and no loose siding or loose shingles.
- ___ 5. Water fountains and hose bibs are operational.
- ___ 6. Signage with reservation and rules information and emergency telephone numbers is in a noticeable location.

- ___ 7. Grounds around shelters are mowed and trimmed and free of litter, debris, and hazards.
- ___ 8. Vegetation around shelters is trimmed back to reduce hazards and does not impede entry and regress.

C. Tables

- ___ 1. Tables are clean, free of rust, mildew, and graffiti.
- ___ 2. Table hardware is intact.
- ___ 3. Table frames are intact and slats are properly secured.
- ___ 4. Table seats and tops are smooth and free of protrusions and have no exposed sharp edges or pointed corners.

D. Grills

- ___ 1. Grills are operational and free of rust and metal deterioration.
- ___ 2. Grills are clean and free of grease build-up.
- ___ 3. Grill racks are operational and secure to main body.
- ___ 4. Grills are properly anchored to reduce hazards and theft.
- ___ 5. Underbrush, low limbs, and debris are cleared away from grill area to reduce possible fire hazard.

E. Trash Receptacles

- ___ 1. Receptacles are clean.
- ___ 2. Wood receptacles are painted and free of damaged or missing parts.
- ___ 3. Hardware for wood receptacles is intact.
- ___ 4. Concrete receptacles are intact and free of cracks or damage.
- ___ 5. Area around trash receptacles is clean and free of trash and debris.

F. Restrooms

- ___ 1. Restrooms are clean, sanitary, and properly stocked with paper products.
- ___ 2. Lights and ventilation systems are operational.
- ___ 3. Toilets, water faucets, stall doors, and hand air dryers are operational.
- ___ 4. Restrooms are free of graffiti.
- ___ 5. Restroom doors are properly marked according to gender.
- ___ 6. Restrooms have clean trash receptacles.
- ___ 7. Restroom doors and locks are operational.
- ___ 8. Restrooms are in compliance with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

IV. TENNIS COURTS

% of standards met: _____

A. Surfacing

- ___ 1. Surface is smooth, level, and well drained with no standing water.
- ___ 2. Surface is free of large cracks, holes, and trip hazards.
- ___ 3. Surface is painted and striped in accordance with the United States Tennis Association court specifications.
- ___ 4. Worn painted surfaces do not exceed 20% of total court surface.
- ___ 5. Surface is free of litter, debris, gravel and graffiti.

B. Nets

- ☐ 1. Nets are free from tears and frays.
- ☐ 2. Nets are properly installed and secured to support poles.
- ☐ 3. Nets have center straps installed at the regulated height and are anchored to the court.
- ☐ 4. Support poles have hardware intact, properly anchored, and installed.

C. Lights

- ☐ 1. Electrical systems and components are operational and in compliance with appropriate building codes.
- ☐ 2. 90% of lamps for each court are operational.
- ☐ 3. Timers are properly set for specific hours of operation.
- ☐ 4. No electrical conducting wires are exposed.
- ☐ 5. Ballast boxes and components are properly installed and secured.
- ☐ 6. Lighting controls with operation instructions and information are conveniently located for easy access.
- ☐ 7. Lights to give uniform coverage on facilities and fixtures are adjusted to eliminate dark or blind spots.

D. Fencing

- ☐ 1. Fencing material is galvanized chain link and is the appropriate gauge wire for specified use.
- ☐ 2. Fencing material is properly secured to support rails.
- ☐ 3. Support rails are properly connected and straight.
- ☐ 4. Fencing is free of holes, protrusions, and catch points.
- ☐ 5. Fabric is straight and free of bending or sagging.
- ☐ 6. Gates and latches are operational.
- ☐ 7. Windscreens are tightly secured to the fencing and are free of tears and holes.

V. BASKETBALL COURTS**% of standards met: _____****A. Surfacing**

- ☐ 1. Surface is smooth, level, and well drained with no standing water.
- ☐ 2. Surface is free of large cracks, holes, and trip hazards.
- ☐ 3. Surface is painted and striped as per court specifications.
- ☐ 4. Worn painted surfaces do not exceed 20% of total court surface.
- ☐ 5. Surface is free of litter, debris, gravel, and graffiti.

B. Goals and Backboards

- ☐ 1. Goals and backboards are level with hardware intact.
- ☐ 2. Goals and backboards are painted.
- ☐ 3. Nylon nets are properly hung and are not torn or tattered.
- ☐ 4. Support poles are secure in the ground and straight.

C. Lights

- ☐ 1. Electrical systems and components are operational and in compliance with appropriate building codes.
- ☐ 2. 90% of lamps for each court are operational.
- ☐ 3. Timers are properly set for specific hours of operation.

- ☐ 4. No electrical conducting wires are exposed.
- ☐ 5. Ballast boxes and components are properly installed and secured.
- ☐ 6. Lighting controls with operation instructions and information is conveniently located for easy access.
- ☐ 7. Lights to provide uniform coverage on facilities and fixtures are adjusted to eliminate dark or blind areas.

VI. SAND VOLLEYBALL COURTS**% of standards met: _____****A. Nets**

- ☐ 1. Nets are free from holes and are not torn or tattered.
- ☐ 2. Nets are hung tightly at the specified height.
- ☐ 3. Nets are securely attached to the support poles.
- ☐ 4. Support poles to have hardware intact, properly anchored and installed.

B. Surface

- ☐ 1. Court surface is loose sand.
- ☐ 2. Surface is smooth with good drainage and no standing water.
- ☐ 3. Surface is free of weeds, grass, litter, and debris.

C. Borders

- ☐ 1. Borders are well defined and intact.
- ☐ 2. Borders meet ASTM and National Playground Safety Institute standards.

VII. PONDS**% of standards met: _____****A. Water**

- ☐ 1. Aerators are operational.
- ☐ 2. Pond surface is at least 90% clear of vegetation.
- ☐ 3. Water area is free of trash and debris.
- ☐ 4. Bank areas are smooth and free of wash outs and erosion.
- ☐ 5. Ponds are stocked with appropriate species of fish.
- ☐ 6. Ponds are dyed to enhance appearance and assist in reduction of unwanted vegetation when applicable.
- ☐ 7. Pond/Waterways Management plan is developed and filed with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department as required.

B. Fishing Piers/Decks

- ☐ 1. Planks are intact, smooth, structurally sound, free of splinters, and have no cracks greater than 1/4 inch.
- ☐ 2. Nails, bolts, or screws are flush with the surface.
- ☐ 3. Planks are level with no excessive warping.
- ☐ 4. Handrails are present.
- ☐ 5. Piers and decks comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

C. Benches

- ☐ 1. Slats are smooth and structurally sound.
- ☐ 2. Hardware is intact and structurally sound.

- ___ 3. Nails, bolts, or screws are flush with the surface.
- ___ 4. Seats and backing are smooth with no protrusions and have no exposed sharp edges or pointed corners.

VIII. PARKS: GENERAL STANDARDS

% of standards met: _____

A. Grounds

- ___ 1. Grounds are mowed and trimmed.
- ___ 2. Park is free of litter, debris, and hazards.
- ___ 3. Parking lots are clean and striped. (if applicable)

B. Drinking Fountains

- ___ 1. Fountains are accessible and operational.
- ___ 2. Fountains are in appropriate locations.
- ___ 3. Fountains are in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- ___ 4. Fountains are installed on solid surfaces and free of standing water and debris.

C. Signage

- ___ 1. Park identification signs are secure and properly installed in a noticeable location.
- ___ 2. Handicap parking signs are secure, visible, and to code.
- ___ 3. Park Rules signs are secure and in a noticeable location.
- ___ 4. Restroom signs are secure and visible.
- ___ 5. Signs are clean, painted, and free of protrusions.

D. Ornamental Plants

- ___ 1. Plants are healthy.
- ___ 2. Plant beds are free of litter, debris, and weeds.
- ___ 3. Plant selection is appropriate for season and area usage.

E. Walkways

- ___ 1. Walkways have a uniform surface and are level with the ground and free of trip hazards.
- ___ 2. Walkways are free of litter and debris.
- ___ 3. Walkways meet the Americans with Disabilities Act requirements.
- ___ 4. Walkways have unobstructed accessibility, i.e. free from low and protruding limbs, guide wires, etc.
- ___ 5. Walkways are neatly edged.
- ___ 6. Walkways are clear of weeds and grass growth in cracks and expansion joints.

F. Trash Receptacles (random)

- ___ 1. Receptacles are clean.
- ___ 2. Wood receptacles are painted and free of damage or missing parts.
- ___ 3. Hardware for wood receptacles is intact.
- ___ 4. Concrete receptacles are intact and free of cracks or damage.
- ___ 5. Roll-off containers and dumpsters are screened or hidden and placed in less intrusive areas.
- ___ 6. Area around trash receptacles is clean and free of trash and debris.
- ___ 7. Area around roll-off containers and dumpsters is clean and free of trash and debris.

G. Ornamental Steel Fencing

- ☐ 1. Hardware is intact.
- ☐ 2. Fences are properly installed and anchored.
- ☐ 3. Support rails are properly connected and straight.
- ☐ 4. Bolts or screws are flush with surface with no exposed sharp points.
- ☐ 5. Fence is straight with no excessive bends.
- ☐ 6. Gates and latches are operational.

H. Chain Link Fencing

- ☐ 1. Fencing material is galvanized chain link and is the appropriate gauge wire for the specified use.
- ☐ 2. Hardware is intact.
- ☐ 3. Fences are properly installed and anchored.
- ☐ 4. Support rails are properly installed and straight.
- ☐ 5. Bolts or screws are flush with the surface with no exposed sharp points.
- ☐ 6. Fencing is free of holes and protrusions.
- ☐ 7. Fabric is straight and free of bending or sagging.

I. Wood Fencing

- ☐ 1. Fences are intact, structurally sound, and free of deterioration.
- ☐ 2. Nails, bolts, or screws are flush with the surface with no exposed sharp points.
- ☐ 3. Fences have no excessive cracks or splintering.

J. Lights: Security and Exterior Facility Lights

- ☐ 1. 90% of security and facility lights are operational.
- ☐ 2. No electrical conducting wires are exposed.
- ☐ 3. Lights comply with current building codes.
- ☐ 4. Electrical components are operational, properly installed, and secured.

K. Bridges

- ☐ 1. Bridges have a uniform surface and are free of trip hazards.
- ☐ 2. Lumber is structurally sound, free of cracking, deterioration, and splintering.
- ☐ 3. Bridges comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act requirements.
- ☐ 4. Bridges have handrails intact and are properly installed and anchored.
- ☐ 5. Bridges are free of litter and debris.

L. Athletic Practice Areas

- ☐ 1. Athletic practice areas are free of litter and debris.
- ☐ 2. Areas are mowed at the appropriate height and trimmed.
- ☐ 3. Area has a uniform surface and is well drained.
- ☐ 4. Areas have trash receptacles present that are in good condition.
- ☐ 5. Soccer goals are properly installed and anchored.
- ☐ 6. Soccer goals are made of lightweight aluminum.
- ☐ 7. Soccer goal frames show no excessive bending.
- ☐ 8. Soccer nets are in good condition and free of holes, tears, and fraying which would allow a soccer ball to pass.
- ☐ 9. Baseball backstops are properly installed, anchored, and in good sound condition.

- ___10. Support poles and railings are straight and properly connected.
- ___11. Backstop fencing is galvanized chain link and is the appropriate gauge wire.
- ___12. Backstop fencing is properly installed to support rails and is free of bending and sagging.
- ___13. Backstop fencing is free of holes, protrusions, and catch points.
- ___14. Bleacher hardware is intact.
- ___15. Bleacher bracing is tightly connected.
- ___16. Bleacher seating surface is clean, smooth, and free of protrusions and have no exposed sharp edges or pointed corners.

M. Irrigation (turf)

- ___1. Irrigation system is fully operational with complete coverage.
- ___2. System is free of leaks.
- ___3. Heads are installed according to intended use.
- ___4. Heads are properly adjusted with rotations and arcs set to reduce water run off.
- ___5. Systems are set to run at specific times to minimize water evaporation and waste.

N. Irrigation (landscape)

- ___1. Irrigation system is fully operational with complete uniform coverage.
- ___2. System is free of leaks.
- ___3. Heads are installed according to intended use.
- ___4. Heads are properly adjusted with rotations and arcs set to reduce water run off.
- ___5. Systems are set to run at specific times to minimized water evaporation and waste.

O. Picnic Units

- ___1. Tables are clean, free of rust, mildew, and graffiti.
- ___2. Table hardware is intact.
- ___3. Table frames are intact and slats are properly secured.
- ___4. Table seats and top are smooth with no protrusions and have no exposed sharp edges or pointed corners.
- ___5. Grills are operational and free of rust and metal deterioration.
- ___6. Grills are clean and free of grease build-up.
- ___7. Grill racks are operational and secure to main body.
- ___8. Grills are properly anchored to reduce hazards and theft.
- ___9. Underbrush, low limbs, and debris are cleaned away from grill area to reduce possible fire hazard.
- ___10. Trash receptacles are clean.
- ___11. Wood trash receptacles are painted and free of damaged or missing parts.
- ___12. Hardware for wood receptacles is intact.

P. Metal Benches

- ___1. Hardware is intact and structurally sound.
- ___2. Nails, bolts, or screws are flush with the surface.
- ___3. Seats and backing are smooth with no protrusions and have no exposed sharp edges or pointed corners.